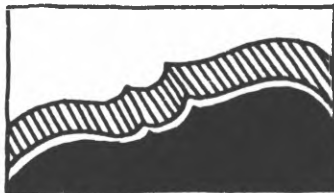


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MARGARET MACARTHUR

December Program

Friday, Dec. 13, 8:30pm

Renowned folk artist Margaret MacArthur will present a seasonal concert of songs and stories on Friday, Dec. 13, at 8:30 pm at the Washington Ethical Society Auditorium, 7750 16th St. NW, Washington, DC.

MacArthur, who lives in Marlboro, Vermont, accompanies herself on the Appalachian dulcimer and the MacArthur Harp, a zither renamed in her honor for reviving its popularity. She will weave Christmas tales from the South and New England together with traditional and contemporary songs. She also sings original material and songs by fellow New England performers Gordon Bok and Dave Mallett.

MacArthur has appeared five times on "A Prairie Home Companion," and her recordings on Front Hall Records have drawn praise in folk music circles. Her latest release, "MacArthur Road," features her entire family, and she has a children's album currently in production.

The December program is FREE to all FSGW members, including those joining at this event. Others pay \$6 at the door. for information, call the FSGW Hotline: 703-281-2228.

ANNE DODSON HOUSE CONCERT

Friday, Dec. 20, 8:30 pm

From Camden, Maine, comes Anne Dodson, who sings traditional, contemporary and original folk and blues songs in an FSGW house concert, Friday, December 20, at the home of Bob Clayton and Jennifer Woods in Silver Spring, MD. A versatile and adept instrumentalist, Anne plays steel string and classical guitars, mountain dulcimer, cello and pennywhistle, and is widely recognized in the Northeast and the Canadian Maritimes as a solo performer.

A member of the band "Different Feet," Anne is a voracious collector of songs, and her varied repertoire reflects the friends and acquaintances she meets in her travels. Her recordings include Gordon Bok, Abby Newton, Mike Burd, and Nick Appolonio as accompanists, and her original songs have been recorded by Bok, Trickett and Muir, among others. Admission is \$5 (FSGW) or \$7 (non-members). For directions to the house, call 301-587-7174.



Photo: Alice Bissell



DANCE THE OLD YEAR AWAY!

- ...at the English Country New Year's Eve Dance at Adelphi Mill, starting at 6:30 pm, or
- ...at the New Year's Eve Contra Ball at Leland Community Center, 8pm. Details on p. 3.

F S G W S u n d a y N i g h t D a n c e s

All Winter Dances will be at Cherry Hill Park 7:30 - 10:30 pm

We have CHANGED the location for winter dances to **CHERRY HILL PARK CLUBHOUSE**, 9800 Cherry Hill Road, College Park, MD. Dances will be held there December 1 through March 15, 1992.

Directions (see maps below): From Beltway 495, take Exit 25B for Route 1 South toward College Park. At the second light (about 1/10 mile) turn right on Cherry Hill Road. Entrance is one mile on the left. From Interstate 95, take Exit 29B (MD Rt. 212, Powder Mill Road). Follow Rt. 212 one mile, turn left on Cherry Hill Road and go one mile, then turn right. Once in the park, follow the main road one block past the stop sign. Go right and parking is straight ahead past the clubhouse building. **DRIVE S L O W L Y THROUGH THE PARK!**

The weekly dances are aimed at intermediate to advanced dancers (i.e., little teaching, short walk-throughs, lots of music & dancing). Dances start & end promptly. Admission--note the change: \$5.50 FSGW, BFMS, ATDS, and CDSS members, NPS Golden Eagle Pass Holders and Senior Citizens; \$7.50 non-members. **The increase in price is to cover the higher rental cost for this well-maintained hall with wooden floors and still allow us to pay our callers and musicians the fees they have received in the past.**

Dec. 1: **Inauguration night for FSGW at Cherry Hill will feature Ann Fallon** calling mostly contras to the New England-style music of **Lark in the Morning**. Joining us for the first time from Anne Arundel and Calvert counties are Cathy Palmer on fiddle, Donna Boylan on piano, Paul Miller on guitar, & Bill Palmer on percussion.

Dec. 8: A humdinger of a dance, with **Connie Waring** calling to **Triple Delight**, including Ellen Jacobs on fiddle, Charlie Pilzer on piano, Karen Ashbrook on hammered dulcimer & flute and Dan Blum on guitar, mandolin & bouzouki.

Dec. 15: **Bob Dalsemer** comes for a visit to call to the elegant New England-style music of **Devil Among the Taylors**. Marty Taylor plays flute and concertina; Wayne Taylor, fiddle; and Jonathon Jensen, piano.

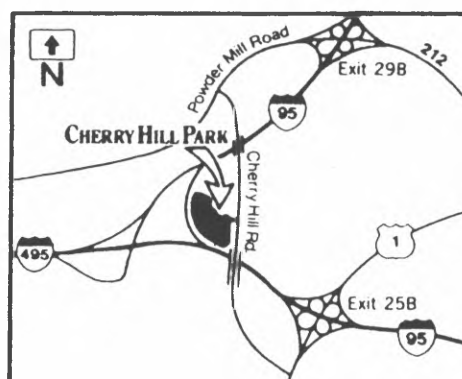
Dec. 22: This evening **Tom Hinds** will energize us with his calling to the music of a local band, **Martin's Flight**. Playing old-time and New England tunes will be Sandy Mitchell on fiddle, Ralph Gordon on bass, and Zan McLeod on guitar, tenor banjo and mandolin.

Dec. 29: **Tuppence Blackwell** will close out 1991 calling to New England tunes by **Moose Chowder**. Buz Lloyd and Rex McGee both play fiddle, while Rex also plays banjo, and Pete Campbell plays piano.

Jan 5: Waltz workshop by Jim Gregory before this dance!

A Note From The Dance Chair. If YOU would like to manage the sound system for the Sunday night dances, please call Leonard Koenick at 301-567-6470 or me at 202-547-5837 to learn more about this vital job.

--Pat Isman



More Folklore Society News

FSGW Board Meeting Wednesday, Dec. 4, 8pm

The next meeting of the Board is Wed., Dec. 4, 8pm at the home of Publicity Chair Sharon Kaufman in NW D.C. Any FSGW member may attend: call Sharon for directions: 202-686-0028. If you have items for the board to consider, call Pres. Dean Clamons, 703-631-9655 or Sec. Dottie Hurley, 301-871-7652.

Board Highlights

On Nov. 6, the Board met at the office of Treasurer Carl Mintz on Capitol Hill. Topics discussed and action taken included:

- A person or organization wanting FSGW co-sponsorship of an event should first supply pertinent information in writing (a form is available) and then submit it at a Board meeting.
- Leonard Koenick, who has run the sound system for Sunday night dances for several years, has asked that we find a new person to take over.
- The winter Sunday night dances are being moved to Cherry Hill Park beginning in December.
- Janine Smith was authorized to purchase Northern Harmony song books for FSGW use.
- Sharon Kaufman is looking for someone to do graphics to help publicize events in the area.

Sacred Harp Singing...

...will not be held in December. The next Sacred Harp sing will be held on New Year's Day, Wednesday, Jan. 1, in Crownsville, MD. Details in the January *Newsletter*!

Open Sing Friday, Dec. 6, 8:30pm

The December Open Sing will be held Fri. Dec. 6 at Takoma Traders in Takoma Park, MD. Dottie Hurley is leading the Sing. Her topic is "Feasts, Revels, Holidays, Parties and Other Conviviality." On the second round, you can sing any song on any topic.

In January the leader is Ellen Aaron. Her topic is "Calvinball," a variant of "Follow the Leader" or "That Reminds Me of a Song" which will be explained more fully in the January *Newsletter*.

Takoma Traders is at 7071 Carroll Ave., at Tulip, near House of Musical Traditions. There's a parking lot on each side and in back. For directions call 301-946-2161. BYO refreshments, but since the room is beautifully decorated the owners ask: no red wine or fruit juices and no potentially messy or crumbly desserts, unless we eat them outside during the break. Bring something to sit on if you wish (the room is carpeted and has some chairs). \$2.50 admission. **ENTRY:** If you arrive after the store itself closes, enter by the door in the back. (There will be a sign on the door.)

Gospel Sing Sunday, Dec. 8, 4pm

The Gospel Sing will be held at the home of Louise Powers in NW Washington, DC. Call her at 202-333-4377 for directions. Singing will start around 4pm, followed by a covered dish supper and then more singing. Everyone is welcome!



NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCES

Tom Hinds will call a New Year's Eve Contra Ball to music by New Original Sin & special guest performer Ginny Snowe. Champagne will be served at midnight; please bring a dessert or munchies to share. The dance will be held at the Leland Community Center, 4301 Willow Lane, Bethesda, MD from 8 pm to 12:45 am. Advance tickets may be purchased until December 20; send a stamped, self-addressed envelope & check payable to FSGW for \$15/members, \$18/non-members to Betsy Platt, 807 E St. SE, Washington, D.C. 20003. A confirmation letter will be sent on receipt of registration. Any tickets available may be purchased at the door for \$18. A balance of the sexes will be maintained. The dance hall has a wooden floor, so please remember your soft-soled shoes! If you would like to volunteer, or have questions about registration, call Betsy at 202-547-6419.

Or, come to the **English Country New Year's Eve Dance**. The FSGW/English Country Dancers will dine and dance in the New Year at the Adelphi Mill. Reception at 6:30 pm., potluck supper at 7 pm., toast to the New Year at midnight. Music by Findhorn Trio + Wayne Taylor, calling by Liz Snowdon. For more info and/or a flier, call JoAnn at 301-585-7750 or Corinne at 301-593-4336. (Dancers must be familiar with English Country dance calls.) Registrants will receive directions & a map.

Advanced English Country Dance Tuesday, Dec. 10, 7:30pm

Howard Markham and Martha Seigel will lead the dancing on Tues., Dec. 10, 7:30pm at Christ Church Parish Hall, 3116 "O" St., NW, Georgetown. Music by Liz Donaldson & Bruce Edwards. FSGW members, \$4; nonmembers, \$6. Info: Rich Galloway, 301-589-0939.

Foggy Bottom International Folkdancers

The group meets every Thursday at St. Mary's Church, 730 23rd St. NW (between G and H Sts., one block from the Metro). Beginners class at 7:30pm. No experience or partner needed. Intermediate/advanced class at 8:30pm. Mostly taped music. Occasional parties and workshops. Call Jamie for information at 202-547-6419.

Getaway Wrap-Up

The 26th FSGW Getaway is history, but the kind of history which brings warm memories for those who attended. Using only part of Camp Letts actually contributed to the togetherness, since there was less scattering for late-night singing. The invited guests, Lorraine Lee and Bennett Hammond, Bob Franke (who could stay only Friday night), Saul Broudy, Bob and Kay Zentz, Tom Gibney, David Jones and Louise Sherman, and Debby McClatchy all participated in workshops, concerts and the informal music-making to all hours. The various workshops seemed to be well-attended, and some were very productive. In fact, the group that wrote the topical song in the write-a-song workshop laid down a digital version of it at the camp on Sunday, and submitted it to National Public Radio, though no one has verified any airplay.

Most participants had a good time and left happy. Several people left other things as well. Here are the **lost-and-found** items (one each): pillow & pillow-case, blue sweat pants, list of songs from a database, red bandanna, pink turtleneck shirt, black sock, pair sunglasses, blue leather glove, brown eyeglass case, pair Sports Illustrated binoculars, flashlight, Scrooge (that's what it says here), and two drinking mugs.

The staff of the Getaway thanks all those volunteers, participants, and guests who did so much to make it a success. Without folks like these, FSGW events don't happen.

Storytellers' Meeting Saturday, Dec. 14, 7:30 pm

STORYSWAP: Storytellers and listeners are invited to share stories and potluck dessert at the home of Anne Sheldon in Silver Spring, MD on Sat, Dec. 14 at 7:30 pm. Call 301-588-5516 for rsvps and directions.

New English Country Dance Series Thursday, Dec. 19, 7:30 pm

Enjoy the beautiful music and simple elegance of English country dancing at the Glen Echo Town Hall beginning at 7:30pm on Thurs., Dec. 19. The music will feature Howard Markham et al., and Rich Galloway and others will call. No experience required.

Glen Echo Town Hall is located at 6106 Harvard Ave. (2 blocks NW of Glen Echo Park via MacArthur Blvd.) \$4. Info: Norm Bernhardt 301-320-2469 or Rich Galloway, 301-589-0939.

Calling All Members!

The almost-annual FSGW Membership Directory will be published shortly after Jan. 1. If you do not wish your name or your address or your home phone number or any combination of these to be published, please notify the Membership Committee. If you have moved, changed your name, telephone number (including area code), or zip code and have not told FSGW, please notify the Membership Committee. If there is any error in your membership record, please notify the Membership Committee. The directory is printed from the membership list; therefore, any mistakes in one will be in the other. You can call 703-938-4564 evenings & weekends or write to 307 Broadleaf Dr. N.E., Vienna, VA 22180.

Need a Holiday Gift Idea?

Share the things you enjoy with those you care about. This holiday season give your relatives or friends a gift of music, dance, stories & festivals. Give an FSGW membership! This is a gift that will mean hours of enjoyment throughout the year. Send the name, address, and other pertinent information, along with payment, to the Membership Committee. Please indicate that this is a gift and from whom. We will send the recipient a *Newsletter*, membership card & brochure, and card telling from whom the gift comes. Send the applications to 307 Broadleaf Dr. Vienna, VA 22180. If you have any questions, call 703-938-4564 evenings and weekends.





Upcoming FSGW Events

- Jan. 10: Swallowtail in concert; location TBA
 Jan. 11-12: Vintage Tango Tea & Workshops
 Jan. 25: 20th Annual MiniFest, Takoma Park Intermediate School, 12 noon-6 pm; concert & dance 7:30 pm
 Feb. 14: Cajun Valentine's Concert, with Marc & Ann Savoy
 Feb. 15: Cajun Valentine's Dance with Marc & Ann Savoy and friends, at Cherry Hill Park
 Mar. 13: Sean Blackburn & Liz Masterson, western swing concert and cowboy/cowgirl pzazz; location TBA
 Apr. 10-12: Chesapeake Spring Dance Weekend
 May 30-31: Washington Folk Festival, Glen Echo Park



Vintage Tango Tea & Workshops Jan. 11-12

Attention tango lovers!! In preparation for a Tango Tea on Sun. Jan. 12 (at the Forest Glen Ballroom, Walter Reed Annex, Silver Spring, MD), beginner and intermediate/advanced ragtime tango workshops will be offered on Sat. Jan. 11 from 1-2:15pm and 2:30-4:30pm at Takoma Park Elementary School (Holly Ave. off MD Rt. 410 between Piney Branch Rd. and Maple Ave.) Admission fees for the workshops are: for FSGW members, beg. \$6, int/adv. \$8, both \$12; for non-members, beg. \$8, int/adv. \$10, both \$15. For the Tea, admission is \$12 for members, \$15 for non-members. Fee includes dance cards and refreshments. No pre-registration required for workshops or Tea--come with or without a partner. Music by Devil Among the Taylors. Period attire circa 1912-1930 encouraged but not required. Questions? Call Sherry (evenings) 202-543-7178 or Anita 301-565-0104.

Calling All Artists!

The 16th Annual Washington Folk Festival is looking for a vibrant, new graphic design. **YOUR** creation could adorn thousands of T-shirts, posters, flyers and programs. We're looking for something simple, yet bold, that symbolizes the WFF's dedication to traditional arts and community spirit. Interested artists should submit an 8 X 10 design draft to Festival Coordinator Mary LaMarca, 502 Bonifant Street, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301-588-7472) by **JANUARY 15, 1992**. Please include your address and a day and evening phone number. Your skill and creativity could be on display for our Washington audience, and help the Festival's talents shine!

MiniFest!

The FSGW will present the 20th annual MiniFest on Saturday, Jan. 25, 1992 at Takoma Park Intermediate School in Takoma Park, MD. The MiniFest is FSGW's major fund-raising event and an opportunity to participate in a day-long event of song, music, storytelling, crafts and dance.

Workshops, song swaps, and hour-long mini-concerts, along with various dance events and programs for children, will start at 12 noon and run until 6 pm. An evening concert and a dance will start (concurrently) at 7:30 pm and end around 10:30. As in previous years, the evening concert will be a "sampler", presenting a number of local performers. The evening dance will feature local callers and music provided by the MiniFest Orchestra, a gathering of many local dance musicians. Musicians are encouraged to bring their instruments and "sit in" with the MiniFest Orchestra.

While attending the sessions at the MiniFest can easily occupy an entire day, volunteering to help at the MiniFest is also fun. It's a chance to meet other people interested in folk activities. All of the performers at the concerts and dancers, the workshop leaders, the ticket sellers, the instrument checkers and even the "Go-fers" are volunteers. In particular, volunteers are needed to help with selling tickets, running the instrument check, membership information, morning setup and evening breakdown. Volunteers who work three or more hours will receive half price admission. If interested, please call Phil Hayden at 202-479-0919.

For further information about the MiniFest, call the FSGW Hotline at 703-281-2228 or Charlie Pilzer at 301-565-8818.

Washington Ski-Dance Weekend February 14-17, 1992

Cross-country skiing in the Laurel Highlands by day and dancing each evening will be the program for this popular three-day weekend. Callers include Dolores Heagy and Peter Fricke. Music will be made by the Mighty Possums and Julie and Wes Merchant. FREE skiing lessons by instructors from the PATC Ski Touring Section. The number of campers is limited to 100, and a gender balance is maintained, so early registration is recommended. Cost is \$122 for adults and \$85 for children under 14. Co-sponsored by the FSGW and the PATC Ski Touring Section. Registration forms are available at local dances or from Washington's Ski-Dance Weekend, P.O. Box 2011, Shepherdstown, WV 25430.

Tenth Anniversary Dance Weekend

The Chesapeake Spring Dance Weekend celebrates its tenth anniversary this year from April 10-12. To help celebrate we will have Wild Asparagus, John Krumm, the Hellbenders, stepdancer Sandy Silva from Seattle, and more. Watch for registration forms next month!

Winter Sale on Festival Fun!

The Washington Folk Festival is entering its 16th year of presenting local traditional artists to a large audience. Founded by FSGW and the National Park Service, the Festival has made its home at Glen Echo Park since its inception. This year, with the new parking lot completed, we hope to attract a larger-than-ever audience. But (and here's the sales pitch) **NOT WITHOUT YOUR HELP!**

Several committees are getting underway, including the **Fundraising Campaign**. We're looking for folks to help raise money in the traditional ways--T-shirt sales, a Silent Auction of donated goods and services, and making souvenir buttons for Festival donors. We also need your ideas and help in trying new ways to raise money for expenses such as sound equipment rental, staging and tent maintenance and repair, printing bills, and shuttle bus rental for two days of performances on seven stages.

To make sure our performers and artists have a good audience, we want to increase **Publicity** this year. We need envelope stuffers and phone callers, radio and TV station lurers and someone to watch for deadlines.

Once the audience is in the park, they can't tell the players without a scorecard. A person with layout and design or desktop publishing experience is needed to bring together the Festival's **Performance Guide**.

And, we need talent scouts. The heart of the Festival is its **Program**; the complex assemblage of musicians, dancers, storytellers and craftspeople who keep traditional arts alive in Washington. Our area has a wonderful variety of cultures and talents. To keep the Festival Program fresh and vital, we need people to seek out new performers, or suggest new topics to present (and the artists to present them!)

If you'd like to join in or have ideas for Fundraising, Publicity or Program, call Festival Coordinators Mary LaMarca (301-588-7472), Gloria Johnson (301-590-0479), Dwain Winters (301-657-2789) or Program Chairs Richard Eskow (301-460-6249), Reuben Musgrave (301-593-6464).

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FSGW Editorial Policy

We try to print all copy that is relevant to FSGW's purpose and membership. (Quote from the FSGW Bylaws: "The main purpose of the Society is to further the understanding, investigation, appreciation, and performance of the traditional folk music and folklore of the American people.") However, in most instances, it is simply impossible to print copy in full. When space is tight, FSGW news receives top priority, followed by local non-FSGW news, followed by listings of out-of-town, non-FSGW events. In addition, we print a calendar each month unless it pushes the entire issue into a more expensive category for either postage or printing.

A R O U N D T O W N

Institute of Musical Traditions

Monday Night Concerts, 8 pm

Silver Spring Unitarian Universalist Church, 10309 New Hampshire Ave., 4 blocks N. of the Beltway; refreshments available. \$7; double bills (*) \$9. Info: 301-270-9090.

Dec. 2 - FSGW favorite **Ed Trickett** with a syncopated guitar style, a melodic voice, and bagful of songs.

Dec. 9 - In their last appearance as a duo, **Hazlewood** presents American and British traditional, contemporary, and originals, with strong harmonies and lively instrumentals.

Dec. 16 - * Eclectic-Celtic **Ironweed** with vocals, guitar, bodhran, hammer dulcimer, and concertina, and tradition-oriented **Clishmaclaver**, guitar, banjo, hammer dulcimer, and vocals.

Dec. 23 - Seasonal Holiday concert with **La Rondinella**, an early music trio featuring vocals, recorder, French horn, and lute playing music from the English, American and Sephardic traditions.

Dec. 30 - * **Al Petteway**, with a fusion of bluegrass, rock, jazz and folk, with **Debi Smith**, of the Smith Sisters, in a solo set accenting her clear voice and instrumental talent.

Russian Folksong Concert

Monday, Dec. 2, Noon-1:30pm

Dimitri Pokrovsky, ethnomusicologist from the Soviet Union, will talk about collecting traditional music in rural Russia. The **Pokrovsky Ensemble** will sing music they have collected demonstrating different regional styles. Sponsored by the American Folklife Center. Library of Congress, Mumford Room, 6th floor, Madison Bldg., 101 Independence Ave., SE (1 blk. N. of Capitol South Metro on Orange or Blue line). FREE. Info: 202-707-9189 or 707-6590.

Lecture: Collecting Russian Folksong

Tuesday, Dec. 3, Noon-1:30pm

Dimitri Pokrovsky will discuss ethnographic expeditions to collect folksongs in rural Russia, illustrated with videos. Sponsored by the American Folklife Center. Library of Congress, Mary Pickford Theatre, 3rd floor, Madison Bldg., 101 Independence Ave., SE (1 blk. N. of Capitol South on Orange or Blue line). FREE. Info: 202-707-9189 or 707-6590.

Fine Folk in Concert

Wednesday, Dec. 4, 7:30-8:30pm

Friendship Heights Community Center, 4433 South Park Ave., Chevy Chase, MD. FREE. Info: Rob Guttenberg, 301-365-9156.

Washington Storytellers Theatre

Friday, Dec. 6, 8pm

Winter Tales told by **Alice McGill & Marc Spiegel**. Metropolitan Memorial Methodist Church, 3401 Nebraska Ave., NW (across from American University). \$10, \$6 students & seniors. Info: Ann Mesritz, 703-549-6657; Linda Fang, 202-625-6496.

Pete Seeger in Holiday Benefit Concert

Saturday, Dec. 7, 11am

Institute of Musical Traditions' sixth annual Holiday concert to benefit Cows for Kids & Sing Out! with children's performers **Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer**. Concertgoers are encouraged to bring a new toy for a needy child. Montgomery Blair High School Auditorium, 313 Wayne Ave., Silver Spring, MD. \$7, \$8 at the door, discount for group sales before show day. Snow date: Sunday, Dec. 8, 1pm. Info: 301-270-9090.

Mill Run Dulcimer Band

Saturday, Dec. 7, 7pm

Christmas concert. Friendship Church, 3527 Gallows Rd., Falls Church, VA. \$5, children \$1. Info/-Directions: 703-941-1071.

Traditional Jazz Open Jam Session

Sunday, Dec. 8, 2-5pm

Professional bands open & close, with 20-minute open amateur sets (1st come, 1st signed-up, but must know Potomac River Jazz Club "top 40" in standard key). S&W Cafeteria, 155 Hillwood Ave. (near 7 Corners), Falls Church, VA. Info/top 40 list: Jack Elder, 703-860-4142. \$5, players FREE.

Irish Music, Poetry & Prose

Sunday, Dec. 8, 4-7pm

Catholic Univ. & the Irish Times present a program of Irish poetry, prose & traditional music. This month: tunes by **Waifs & Strays**. Irish Times Tavern (Suite B), 14 F St. NW. \$5. Info: 202-543-5433.

Mostly Montgomery Storytellers**Tuesday, Dec. 10, 7-9pm**

Story swap & meeting at the amphitheatre of Borders' new children's bookstore, 11920-A Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD., 1 blk. from White Flint Metro. All tellers & listeners welcome, not just those from Montgomery Country. Info/carpool/mailling list: Yona Chock, 301-770-9040.

Frederick Area Tale Spinners Meeting**Thursday, Dec. 12, 7pm**

Story swap & as little business as possible. Info: Kathleen Rudesill, 301-293-6816; Carl Humphrey, 301-371-7301.

Fund-Raising Concert with Mac-talla**Friday, Dec. 20, 8pm**

Mac-talla, a Scots-Gaelic folk group, will appear with the Maryland Boy Choir at the Tawes Fine Arts Bldg., U. of Md. \$6, students \$4. Info: Joan Mac-Williams Weiss, 301-656-3454.

The New St. George & Washington Revels Mummers**Monday, Dec. 23, 8pm**

Winter Solstice celebration with the New St. George's high-energy traditional & contemporary British music, a performance of the traditional folk play St. George & the Dragon by the Washington Revels Mummers, & a sing-along of British folk carols. The Birchmere, 3901 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria, VA. Info: 703-549-5919.

The Dupont Music Circle

The Dupont Music Circle is an informal gathering for singing & playing traditional music from the British Isles. All singers & instrumentalists, at all levels of ability, are welcome. Meets every Wednesday night. Info: Liz or Gary, 703-658-0957.

Capitol Area Bluegrass & Old-Time Music Assn. (CABOMA)

Jams, learners' sessions, song swaps; 2nd & 4th Sunday of every month, 2-6pm, other activities as scheduled. Beginners to advanced welcome. Lyon Park Community Center at N Fillmore St & Pershing Dr, Arlington, VA. Guest fee \$1, annual fee \$14 (family \$21). Info: Fred & Elizabeth Nelson, 703-451-4785.

Volunteers Needed...

...at the **Archive of Folk Culture** at the Library of Congress is accepting volunteers. If you can spend a day (or a few hours) a week, & want to help out at the hub of Federal folk activity, call Joe Hickerson, the Archive's Head, Mon-Fri, 8:30am-5pm, at 202-707-5510, to arrange a starting time. If you have more time available, inquire about the Archive's Intern Program.

...to help **organize files and other paperwork**, occasional Sunday afternoons in Shirlington, VA. Mary Cliff, 703-998-2795.

LOCAL CLUB VENUES**WFMA Seventh Annual Benefit Concert****Lisner Auditorium****Saturday, Jan. 18, 7:00 pm**

Presenting Tom Paxton, Mike Cross, Brandywine Singers, David Buskin, Julie Gold, James Keelaghan, Carolyn Hester, Pete Kennedy, Steve Gillette & Cindy Mangsen, Sally Fingerett, Megon McDonough, Side by Side and Cross Country. Special Guests The Brothers Four, plus surprise guests and presentation of the 4th Annual Kate Wolf Memorial Award. All seats reserved \$25. Golden 100 Tickets \$45 (includes post-concert reception with performers and complimentary souvenir program). Info: 202-362-2225 (Concert)/202-244-1543 (Tix).

**Benefit for Homeless****Friday, Jan. 3**

Second annual Concert to Benefit South Baltimore Homeless Shelter featuring Maggie, Jon Carroll, Sanders, Kass & White, Sue Trainor, Terra Nova and more. Located at the Otterbein Methodist Church, Sharp and Conway Streets, Baltimore. Advance tickets \$15. Clothing & food donations encouraged. Info: 410-922-5210. Help beat last year's \$4,000 sellout.

Music Americana Showcase Benefit**Tuesday, Dec. 3, 8:30pm**

Featuring Side by Side, Eddie Brooks, Whitt McKinney, Dave Crossland and Josh Luborsky. Located at Suzanne's American Kitchen, 9116 Rothbury Drive, Gaithersburg, MD. Proceeds benefit the World Folk Music Association and highlights are aired on Dick Cerri's Sunday night Music Americana radio program on WLTT-FM 94.7. Admission: \$5. Directions/Info: 301-990-0995.

Open Door Coffeehouse
Saturday, Dec. 7, 8:00 pm

Featuring Nancy Moran & Fett, Peter Kronowitt and Eileen Joyner. Located at Fairlington United Methodist Church, 3900 King St., Alexandria, VA. Admission by donation. Smokeless and alcohol-free venue. Info: 703-671-8557.

Purple Onion Cafe & Grille
Saturday, Dec. 7 & 14, 8:00 pm

12/7 Cornucopia, a lively British-American folk quartet. 12/14 J.T. Tollis, singer/songwriter/guitarist. Located at 201 Elden Street, Herndon, VA. Admission: \$4. Info: 703-435-8380.

Cafe at B. Gordon's Market
Wednesday, Dec. 11, 7:30 pm

This month featuring Clishmaclaver's traditional American and Celtic music. Dinner buffet at 6 pm, \$5.95; music at 7:30 pm, \$4. Limited seating. Metro Pike Center, 11560-A Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD (behind Borders Bookstore). Info: 301-230-0966.

PJ's Pub
Tuesday, Dec. 17, 8:00 pm

Folk musicians and storytellers from the Baltimore-Washington area convene at PJ's Pub, 8307 Main Street, Ellicott City, MD, to share songs and stories in a friendly, supportive atmosphere. New performers and non-performers are welcome. **Nancy Moran and Fett** will perform an opening set. Info: 301-381-2460.

The Coffeehouse at Hope
Friday, Dec. 20, 8:00 pm

Christmas Party with Side by Side and Sanders, Kass and White, a trio of Baltimore women. The Coffeehouse is a smoke-free venue on the campus of University of Maryland at Hope Lutheran Church and Student Center, 4201 Guilford Dr, College Park, MD. Cover: \$6. Info: 301-927-5508.

Coffeehouse at St. John's
Saturday, Dec. 21, 8:00 pm

Doris Justis, producer of two other successful coffeehouses in the DC area, expands to Columbia with the opening of St. John's Coffeehouse. Featuring Dark Patches Fall and Side by Side. Located in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6004 Waterloo Rd., Columbia, MD. Admission: \$6, light refreshments available. Info: 301-381-2460 (Balt.)/301-982-0686 (DC/VA). The coffeehouse will be held the third Saturday of each month.

The Coffeehouse at Good Counsel
Saturday, Dec. 21, 8:30 pm

Open Stage: Acoustic musicians, songwriters, storytellers and poets invited to participate. Second half of the evening will feature Songs of the Holiday with all musicians and audience. Located at Good Counsel High School Library, 11601 Georgia Avenue, Wheaton, MD. Complimentary refreshments & ample parking. Adm: \$4. Info: 301-680-8669 (eves.)

New Year's Eve at Folk Alley
Tuesday, Dec. 31, 8:00 pm

3rd Annual Folks Against Drinking & Driving Concert featuring Side by Side, Susan Graham White, Sue Trainor, Nancy Moran & Fett, Steve Key, Terri Bocklund, Robbie Schaefer, Vicki Pratt Keating and Back Seat Drivers. Due to this special event there will be no concert 12/27. Washington Ethical Society, 7750 16th St. N.W., DC. Admission \$10. Info: 202-686-9210. Smoke-free.

Weathervane Acoustic Listening Room
Frederick, MD, 8 pm

At Erni's Italian Kitchen, 1818 Rosemont Ave. Frederick, MD. Varied schedule in December. 12/4 Lee Murdock. 12/6 Vicki Pratt Keating. 12/9 Open Stage. 12/11 Wit's End. 12/18 Ann Dodson. Cover \$6 unless otherwise specified. Info: 301-694-6038.

Folkal Point
Thursdays, 8:00 pm

On 12/5 Cornucopia celebrates the arrival of their new CD/cassette "Semerwater." **Note: This is the only concert this month. Regular schedule resumes 1/9/92.** Admission: \$6-10. Not-for-profit weekly folk music concert. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Located on second floor of the Cacao Lane Restaurant, 8066 Main Street, Ellicott City, MD. Must be 21. Info: 301-982-0686 (DC); 301-922-5210 (Balt).

Cafe Florian Coffeehouse
Second Saturday, 8:00 pm

Open mike; voluntary contributions for potluck refreshments are donated to regional food pantry for the hungry. Davies Memorial Unitarian Church, 7400 Temple Hill Road, Camp Springs, MD. Info: 301-743-5946.



LOCAL DANCES

Editorial Policy for Dance Events

Because so many dancers seek dances with live music, all notices about dances should state whether the music is recorded or live. We do this as a service to our members. No dance copy will be used that does not state live or recorded music. N.B.: **All copy must contain Area Codes in the Info Tel. #s!**

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THE LISTINGS:

BEG: Beginning **INT:** Intermediate
N/E: No experience necessary **N/P:** No partner necessary
TPIS: Takoma Park Intermediate School, 7611 Piney Branch Road, Takoma Park, MD

FRIDAY NIGHT DANCES

The Dance Committee sponsors square & contra dances every Friday night. During the winter, dances are held at Durant Recreation Center, 1605 Cameron Street, Old Town Alexandria, VA (King Street Metro). Dances begin at 8:00 & are \$5 unless otherwise noted. There will be no dance classes during the winter. Info: DC Dance Hotline 301-270-1678.

Dec. 6: Devil Among the Taylors; Tuppence Blackwell

Dec. 13: Open Band; Larry Edelman

Dec. 20: Beyond the Beltway; Bill Wellington

Dec. 27: Dukes of Earl; Mark Elliott

Clogging at The Mandarins Thursdays, 9pm

Clogging in the Washington DC area now takes place at the Mandarins Restaurant, 8407 Ramsey Avenue, Silver Spring MD across from the "Kiss and Ride" lot at the Silver Spring Metro Station. On-street parking and garage nearby. Every Thursday night from 9pm-midnight, dance to live old-time music for free-style clogging. \$4.00. Info: Julie Mangin 301-495-0082.

Dec. 5: The Flea Pickers (Mike Ballo, Kate Brett, & Kevin Enoch)

Dec. 12: Looney Tunes (Alice Rodman, Liza Roberts, Tom Reedy, Paul Hulleberg)

Dec. 19: Tracy Schwarz & Swamp Opera (Cajun Music)

Dec. 26: No clogging.

Advanced Clogging Classes Mondays through Dec. 9

Do you want to polish your clogging skills, rekindle enthusiasm, or spark new creativity? Come to the popular clogging classes given by Eileen Carson of the Fiddle Puppets. Classes are held at Hot Feet, a percussive dance studio within walking distance of the Brookland Metro (3305 8th St., NE.) Classes will be held 9:15-10:45pm; the cost is \$10 per class. Info: 301-277-5915.

Cajun Dance & Workshop

Fri, Dec. 20, 7:30-11:30pm

Allons-Y!, Baltimore/Washington's Cajun dance band, will play for Cajun dancing at Cherry Hill Park in an air-conditioned, smoke-free building with a 3600 square foot suspended wooden dance floor. Refreshments available. Adm. \$8; includes dance workshop from 7:30-8:30. Info: 301-484-6873.

The Arctic Fox Frolic Ball

Sat, Dec. 7, 8-11pm

The Arctic Fox Frolic Ball will raise funds for the Glen Echo Park Foundation and the Sierra Club, and will be held at the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park in Glen Echo, MD. Squares & contras to the music of Critton Hollow Band; calling by Mark Elliott. Dance workshop at 7pm. Tickets are \$12 per person. Ticket stubs will be used for a drawing at intermission for outdoor gear. Advance reservations are encouraged but not required; tickets will be available at the door. For advance tickets, send check made out to the Potomac Chapter, Sierra Club, along with a SASE to Jon Robinson, 10309 Broom Lane, Seabrook, MD 20706. Info: 301-794-6164.

Holiday Contra Dance

Sunday, Dec. 22, 2-5pm

Celebrate the holidays on Sunday, Dec. 22, 2-5pm, with Lausanne Allen from Vermont calling contras to the music of June Apple. Harding Hall (chez B. Harding), Adams Street, between Van Buren and Jackson, Herndon VA. \$4. N/P, N/E. Bring munchies to share. Info: Alice Markham 703-709-9121.

English Morris Dancing

Thursdays, 8-10pm

Foggy Bottom Morris Men, Washington's English ritual men's team, welcomes new dancers. If you have enjoyed us in the Washington Revels or other area events, please join us in this terrific tradition. It's easy, fun, and a great workout, and practices are free. Live music; N/E. Thursdays, 8pm at TPIS. Info: Art Shaw 703-683-4190, Bob Collins 301-536-0986.

The Reston Contra Dance

There will be no Reston dances in December or January. The next one will be on February 1, 1992.

**Providence Contras & Squares
Saturday, Dec. 14, 7:30pm**

Tuppence Blackwell calls with the Heritage String Band at 7:30pm on Saturday, Dec. 14, at the Providence Recreation Center, 7525 Marc Drive, Falls Church VA, just off Route 50 at the Beltway. N/E, N/P, beginners cherished. Info: 703-698-1351 or 703-379-2992.

**English Country Dance for Experienced Dancers
Wednesday, Dec. 18, 7:30-10pm**

Have you reconstructed a dance or written one yourself, but need more than salt and pepper shakers to make it work? Dancers at the Wednesday workshop will cheerfully try out and critique one newly reconstructed or composed dance each month. Advance scheduling required. Scheduling and callers' deadline, Dec. 4. Musicians: Liz Donaldson, piano; Faith Coddington, fiddle. Callers from among the dancers. Walk-throughs only; no teaching of basic steps. Scottish dancers welcome. N/P. Woodlin Elem. School, 2101 Luzerne Avenue, Silver Spring MD. \$4. Info: Howard Markham or Pat Ruggiero, 703-471-0629.

Ceili

Friday, Dec. 6, 8pm-midnight

Irish Ceili (dance) with the Bogwanderers Ceili Band at Our Lady of Good Counsel School, Niblick Road, Vienna VA, Friday 8pm-midnight, Dec. 6. Adults \$7, 6-16 yrs old \$3, under 6 FREE. Free lessons 7:30pm. Free soda bread, tea, coffee. Info: Bob Hickey 703-978-8265.

**Scottish Country Dancing
Tuesdays, 8 pm**

St. Columba's Scottish Country Dance Group offers weekly classes for beginning and experienced dancers at the Washington Episcopal School, 5161 River Rd., Bethesda MD. \$35/semester or \$2/class. Recorded music for classes, live music for special events. N/P. Info: the Crawfords, 301-230-2327; Arlene McCormick, 301-794-8042.

**English Country Dance Christmas Party
Saturday, Dec. 14, 8-11pm**

Under candlelight, music by Peascods Gathering, calling by Barbara Harding and Gwynne Griswold at Cabin John Middle School, 10701 Gainsborough Rd, Rockville, MD. N/E, N/P. \$4. Info: Carl Minkus 301-493-6281, Dick Atlee 703-522-2769, Faith Coddington 301-762-4541.

**Santa Lucia Gamaldans Party
Saturday, Dec. 7, 8-10:30pm**

Scandinavian dance party and candlelight celebration of upcoming Santa Lucia Day; music by Peascods Gathering, at TPIS. N/E, N/P. \$5. Info: Carl Minkus 301-493-6281, Dick Atlee 703-522-2769, Faith Coddington 301-762-4541.

Scandia DC

3rd Saturday, Dec. 21, 7pm

Review 2nd Monday, Dec. 9, 8-10pm

Scandinavian couple dancing 3rd Sat monthly at TPIS. Dancing 7-10:15pm; teaching 7:30-8:30 (basics 7:10-7:30). N/P. Dec. 21: Annual Holiday Party; no teaching. \$4. Some live and some recorded music. Reviews of dances at TPIS cafeteria on Dec. 9. Teachers: Linda Brooks & Ross Schipper. \$3. Recorded music. Info: Linda 202-333-2826, Ross 301-721-9237.

Snurrdansarna

Tuesdays, 7:30-10:30pm

Traditional Scandinavian couple turning dances to recorded music at TPIS, \$3. Selected basics (polka, waltz, polska, mazurka, schottis) and turning techniques taught with specific dances in the first hour, followed by dances with quick reviews in the second hour and finishing with an hour of requests. N/P, N/E. Info: Bill Warren 301-585-7916.

**Hungarian Dance Party
Saturday, Dec. 14, 8-11pm**

Enjoy the exciting couple dances of Hungary and Transylvania at the next Tanchaz, or Hungarian folk dance party, of the season. Come dance with us at the Potomac United Methodist Church on Falls Rd. in Potomac MD, 8-11pm. N/E, N/P. Open dancing to recorded and some live music will follow. Please bring food or non-alcoholic beverage for snack table. \$3. Info, eves: 301-933-9845.

**The Cowboy Christmas Ball
Saturday, Dec. 14, 8pm-midnight**

Our local salute to the continuing tradition of the 106 year old Cowboy Christmas Ball of Anson, Texas, an old-fashioned pioneer dance complete with waltzes, polkas, twosteps, schottisches, western swing, specially taught group dances and dancing to Christmas carols. Live western music of the Original Swingabilly Band. Please bring your favorite festive table decoration, potluck food & beverages to share. Dress western, old world settler ethnic or holiday festive. N/E, N/P. \$10. Social Hall of the Upper County Community Center, 8201 Emory Grove Rd. at Rt. 124, one block north of Midcounty Hwy., between Shady Grove Rd. and Montgomery Village Ave., Gaithersburg, Md. Ample free parking/Shady Grove Metro/Montgomery County Ride-on buses. Info: Herb Fredricksen 301-840-2056.

Holiday Swing Dance Fundraiser Extravaganza**Saturday, Dec. 7, 8:30pm-12:30am**

Swing dance to the Tom Principato Band from 8:30-12:30 at the Temple Israel Ballroom, 420 University Blvd., Silver Spring MD. Exhibitions by: Ken Haltenhoff & Donna Barker, Craig Hutchinson & Lucy Renzi, and Leslie Coombs and a partner TBA. Taxi Dancers! Have your picture taken with Santa Claus, Swing Dance Style! Proceeds to be used to help and rebuild the Kitchen/Dining Hall Complex of Buffalo Gap Camp, Capon Bridge WV, which was destroyed by fire this past summer. Admission \$12. Info: WSDC Hotline 301-779-0234.

Bethesda International Folk Dancers**Monday, Dec. 16, 8-11:30pm**

Annual holiday party with live music by Peascods Gathering and the Machaya Klezmer Band. Some recorded music. Everyone welcome. N/P. Wear ethnic costumes, bring goodies to share. There will be a pinata for children under 9, who must be supervised. \$5 per person. Leland Community Recreation Center, 4301 Willow Lane, Chevy Chase, MD. Info: Phyllis or Mel Diamond 301-871-8788.

**INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCES**

A wide variety of dances to choose from! All have taped music. N/P, N/E.

Mon.: International Folk Dancers of Bethesda, 9-10pm, at Leland Community Rec Center. Balkan, Hungary, Romania, Israel, Scandinavia, Greece, etc. \$3.75; Info: Mel or Phyllis Diamond 301-871-8788.

Tues.: Arlington Intl Folk Dance at Key Elem School, Key Blvd. (between Adams & Veitch, 3 blocks from Courthouse Metro), Arlington VA. 8-10pm. \$3. Sam & Sarah Stulberg: 703-527-8998.

Wed.: Intl Folk & Contrasts at Guy Mason Rec Ctr, Calvert St & Wisconsin Ave NW DC. 8:15-10pm. FREE. Charles/Ruth Toxey 301-229-0455. * Anna Pappas at River Rd Unitarian Church, Bethesda, MD. 7-8pm. 10 wks/\$35. 301-340-8723. * Intl Folk at Kahler Hall, village of Harper's Choice, Columbia, MD, 8:00-10:30pm. Teaching 1st hour; requests after. Ed 301-740-2309, Eva 301-730-6488. * Intl Folk, with Elaine Moczygemba at Mt. Vernon (VA) Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane (off Ft. Hunt Road and Mason Hill Dr.) 8-10pm; \$2. (\$10 video available). Info 703-780-2393.

Thurs.: Roland Forbes, Chevy Chase Ctr, Conn Ave & McKinley St NW DC. 7:30-9:30pm. FREE. 301-572-4215.

Fri.: Greek, Israeli, Cold Spring Elem School, 9101 Falls Chapel Way, Potomac MD. 8-10pm. 10 wks/\$40. 301-340-8723. * Intl Folk & Contrasts at Chevy Chase Rec. Ctr, Conn. Ave & McKinley St NW DC. 7:30--9:30pm. FREE. Charles/Ruth Toxey 301-229-0455.

LAST Sun.: Walsh Club Intl Dance Party at Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, 1 Chevy Chase Circle NW, DC. 8-10pm. \$1. Diff. theme every other month. Info: 301-572-4215 or 301-340-8723.

...AND BEYOND**Annapolis Traditional Dance Society**

Saturday, Dec. 14. Contra Dance with Robbin Schaffer, music by June Apple, 8pm, \$5. Waltz Workshop, 7pm, \$2.

Saturday, Dec. 21. Swing Dance with music by Hard Cider Boys, 8pm, \$5.

Saturday, Jan. 4. Contra Dance with Dick Bearman calling, music by Lark in the Morning, 8pm, \$5. Contra Workshop, 7pm, \$2.

West Annapolis Elementary School, 210 Annapolis St., Annapolis, MD. Info: 410-268-0231.

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Baltimore Dance Council**Saturday, Dec. 14, 8:30pm**

Cajun dancing with Allons-Y!, \$6. Cajun Workshop, 7pm, \$3.50. Both \$8.50. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St., Baltimore, MD. \$6. Info: Tom Bryson 410-265-5386, Matt Bieneman 410-391-8418.

Baltimore Hoedown at Gandy Dancer

Tuesdays, 8pm. Live bands play traditional, old-time music for free-style clogging on a wooden dance floor, \$4. Callers--sign up! Dec. 3, Looney Tunes; Dec. 10, Rob Caruthers & Tim Mitchell; Dec. 17, Tracy Schwarz with Swamp Opera plays Cajun music, \$4. Dec. 31, New Year's Eve Party, 9pm, \$5.

Saturday, 9pm. Dec. 7, Cajun music with Allons-y! Gandy Dancer Saloon, 1300 McHenry St., Balt. MD. Info: Gene Boyer 410-547-6852.

Baltimore Folk Music Society News **Hotline: 410-366-0808**

Squares & Contrabass, Wednesdays, 8pm. Dec. 4, Scott Higgs, music by Maggie Brown's Favorites; Dec. 11, Larry Edelman, music by Open Band; Dec. 18, Bob Dalsemer, music by Fiddlestyx; Dec. 25, No dance. Dances taught & walked through with easier ones taught in early evening. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St., Baltimore, MD. \$4 members & affiliates (like FSGW), \$5 non-members. Info: Diane Alberga, 410-549-3619 or Hotline.

English Country Dancing, Mondays, 8pm. Dec. 2, Dan Seigel & Frances Pusch, music by Joe Balkoski, Linda Block & Carl Friedman; Dec. 9, David Macemon, music by Findhorn Trio; Dec. 16, Cynthia Stenger, music by Devil Among the Taylors; Dec. 23, Diane Schmit, music by Mark Vidor, Wes & Julie Merchant; Dec. 30, Dan Seigel, music by Open Band. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St., Baltimore. New dancers always welcome. \$4 members & affiliates (like FSGW), \$5 non-members. Info: Diane Alberga 410-549-3619, Diane Schmit 410-590-9246, or Hotline.

Chanterelle, Saturday, December 14, 8pm. A concert of seasonal music from the Middle Ages to the present on instruments from the lute to the banjo. There will also be singing and storytelling. Interpreted for the hearing impaired. At The Walters Art Gallery, Charles & Centre Sts., Baltimore, \$10 non-members, \$8 members (and affiliates like FSGW), \$5 kids. Call 410-866-4622 for info. Order tickets from BFMS Tickets, P.O. Box 7134, Baltimore, MD 21218. Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

6th Annual Winter Solstice Concert with Helicon **Saturday, Dec. 14, 8pm**

This year features special guests, Eugene Friesen, Glen Velez, and Paul Halley of the Paul Winter Consort. Expect to hear some of the most brilliant performers of new acoustic music. Kraushaar Auditorium, Goucher College, Towson, MD. Advance tickets \$14 at Recordmaster outlets, Baltimore Bluegrass, Appalachian Bluegrass, the Village Market, An Die Musik, & House of Musical Traditions. Info: 301-243-7254.

Bluemont Dance **Saturday, Dec. 21, 8pm**

Oldtime country dancing with Velcro Monkeys, Lausanne Allen calling, \$5/\$3. Beginners workshop, 7pm. Bluemont Community Center, Bluemont, VA. Info: Peter Dunning 703-777-6306.

Helicon Solstice Concert **Saturday, Dec. 21, 8pm**

Special holiday concert at the Avalon Theatre in Easton MD. Info: 301-820-5775.

Frederick County Winter Ball **Saturday, Jan. 11, 7:30pm**

The fifth annual Frederick County Winter Ball features music by Marty and Wayne Taylor and Liz Donaldson. Reception, 7pm with dinner served during intermission, \$16. Info: Richard 301-845-2147 or Patty 301-694-8392 or write Frederick Co. Country Dancers, PO Box 502, Walkersville, MD 21793.

Christmas Cotillion **Saturday, Dec. 28, 8pm**

Mid-Maryland Folk Arts Council sponsoring Soda Bread with Robbin Schaffer calling. Potluck dessert requested for break, \$6.50-\$10 (depends on when you register). FREE beginner workshop, 7pm. Old Armory (Adult Recreation Center), corner of 2nd & Bentz Sts., Frederick, MD. Info: 301-694-6794, 301-662-0750 or Edith 301-696-0025.

Harrisburg Dance **Friday, Dec. 13, 8pm**

Contra dance with the House Band, called by Bob Dalsemer. Christ the Savior Orthodox Church, 5501 Locust Lane, Harrisburg, PA. Info: 717-838-3621.

Shepherdstown Dance **Saturday, Dec. 7, 8pm**

Mostly contra dancing with music by Velcro Monkeys, Bill Wellington calling. \$5/\$3.50. Beginner workshop at 7:15pm. Special potluck supper at 6:30pm. Shepherdstown Men's Club, King & German Sts., Shepherdstown, WV. Info: 304-876-2762 or 304-263-2531.

Ralph Page Legacy Weekend **Jan. 17-19, Durham, NH**

A weekend of dance, music, and calling in traditional New England styles, past and present. Full weekend \$85; some separate events require rsvp by Jan. 4. Info: Ralph Page Legacy Weekend, c/o NEFFA, 1950 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA 02140.

Folk Alliance **Calgary, Alberta** **Jan. 30-Feb. 2, 1992**

The fourth annual North American Folk Music and Dance Alliance Conference features panels, workshops, parties, jam sessions, group meals, and artist showcases. Info: Folk Alliance, PO Box 5010, Chapel Hill, NC 27514 or call 919-542-3997.

American Dance Friendship Tour **U.S.S.R** **April 9-25, 1992**

Contradance with the citizens of Moscow, Odessa, Kiev, & Leningrad. Called by Eric Black, music by the Hillbillies from Mars. Info: Sara Kern 415-965-4642.

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